

## WAR UNDER BIG BILL'S NOSE

TONGS SHOOT UP PELL STREET;  
ONE DEAD, TWO WOUNDED.

Fifty bullets fired by Poor Marksmen  
After the Masterful Captain  
Passed On Leong Lay for the Four  
Brothers on Their Way to Dine.

Big Bill Hodgins, captain of police  
at Chinatown, stood yesterday after-  
noon a little before 1 o'clock in the door-  
way of Jimmy Naughton's lively stable  
in Mott street just above the Church  
of the Transfiguration. He looked east  
along Pell street and yawned.

Chinatown was dotted with sightseers  
tripping past the curio shops. Bloused  
and sandaled Chinese gossiped on the  
street corners and on the steps of the  
shops, restaurants and tenements. The  
windows of the tenement at the southeast  
corner of Mott and Pell displayed the  
prettiest things in all Chinatown, the  
pale pink and white silks. Placid Chinese  
brothers minding the babies gazed in-  
curiously at the street scenes below them.

The big triangular flag of the Four  
Brothers was whipping from the roof  
of the Chinese Delmonico's, at 24 Pell  
street. The Four Brothers Society was  
giving its annual banquet, a double  
celebration, in honor of the ancient four  
who founded the clan and of Chu Gain,  
a Four Brothers man who was honorably  
acquitted recently of the charge that he  
shot and killed Chung Fook of the  
Du Leong Tong on April 10. Pell street,  
therefore, was filling slowly with Four  
Brothers men. The On Leong Tong men  
remained in Mott street, their preserve,  
looking on with apparent indifference.

There was nothing to indicate any-  
thing but an ordinary sleepy afternoon  
in Chinatown. Big Bill yawned again,  
crossed Mott street and made his way  
toward the Chinese Delmonico's. He  
passed Sing Jen's candy booth on the  
sidewalk in front of 37 Pell street, nod-  
ding to Sing, and caught up with Sergt.  
Magner.

"Well, things are quiet enough here  
to-day," said Hodgins.  
"Looks that way, don't it, cap?" said  
Sergt. Magner, "but you never know. Big  
fire-tracker being set off at once came from  
the corner they had just passed. Hodgins  
and Magner whirling round saw eight  
or ten Chinese shooting at each other  
from both sides of Pell street. Splintered  
window glass was tinkling on the pave-  
ments. Sightseers were scrambling for  
outlets—any way to get away. Chinese  
who had been lounging apathetically  
a minute or two before were dodging  
and twisting through the crowd, scream-  
ing shrilly. The Chinese mothers, no  
longer placid, were snatching their babies  
from the windows. Policemen were  
running from all directions, sounding their  
whistles.

In front of Sing Jen's candy booth a  
Chinaman was lying on the sidewalk,  
throwing his head from side to side and  
uttering squeals of pain. It was Sing  
Jen himself, a peaceable man but shot  
in the abdomen by the gun men of the  
On Leong Tong getting square. A few  
feet away from Sing Jen lay Chu Fui  
of the Four Brothers, shot in the head.  
Chu Pan, also of the Four Brothers, sat  
with his back to the wall of the tenement,  
a bullet in his thigh.

The battle ended as suddenly as it  
began. Capt. Hodgins and Sergt. Magner  
caught two of the fleeing tong men  
and turned them over to patrolmen.  
Frenzied detectives grabbed three more  
who were settling away. Within half  
an hour there were 100 bluecoats in Chin-  
atown and Capt. Hodgins had closed the  
district to visitors. Chinatown was cut  
off from the rest of New York until last  
night by a wall of policemen. Hodgins  
was taking no chances on another out-  
break. In the Hudson street hospital  
Chu Fui died. Sing Jen was said to be  
dying and Chu Pan was held a prisoner.

Eight Chinese were locked up in the  
Elizabeth street station, five of them  
caught with pistols in their hands or  
their pockets, three of them picked up  
as witnesses.  
The fight, so far as the police could  
learn, was started by the On Leong Tong  
gang. Ten Lee's fraternity had been  
waiting for an opportunity to square  
things with the Four Brothers for the  
killing of Chung Fook. They could hardly  
have picked a better time. The Four  
Brothers were in Chinatown from all  
over Greater New York to attend the  
banquet. Old Sam Look, leader of the  
Four Brothers, hadn't shown himself in  
the street, but Chu Moy Yen and other  
big men of the society had gone through  
Pell street and dozens of the Four  
Brothers were going in and out of the  
restaurant.

Chu Gain, the guest of honor, was the  
man the On Leong Tong men were wait-  
ing for. The minute Chu Gain was spotted  
the trouble began.

Chu with a dozen of the Four Brothers  
was in front of Sing Jen's candy booth  
at 4 o'clock when half a dozen On Leong  
men surrounded the corner from Mott  
street and fired. The bullet that hit  
Chu in the thigh was fired from the  
door of the T. Light & Co. store at 38 Pell  
street. Sing Jen was shot down in the  
first second or two. A bullet went  
into his head just below the right ear.  
The Four Brothers were going to their  
banquet as well. At the first crack-  
ing of pistols their hands went to their  
holsters and they began to shoot across  
the street. A hit of less than thirty feet  
is a long shot. The bullet that hit Chu  
in the head and Chu Pan was laid out  
with a bullet in the thigh. The On Leong  
men aimed better than the Four Brothers,  
for they had the advantage of the surprise.  
None of them was hurt.

At least fifty shots were fired in two  
or three minutes. That was as long as  
the battle lasted. The shop windows and  
the wooden casings showed plainly how  
the firing had been and how bad the  
aim of the gun men. A window pane in  
the high store was broken, a hole was  
drilled neatly in a window at 38 Mott,  
there were half a dozen bullet holes in  
the windows and front of Wing Wung  
Chung's grocery at 31 Pell and Sing  
Jen's candy booth was splintered in three.

## THE POUGHKEEPSIE BURNED.

All the Passengers and Crew Saved When  
Old River Steamer Is Lost.

POUGHKEEPSIE, June 26.—The steamer,  
Poughkeepsie, owned by the Central Hud-  
son Steamboat Company, was burned to  
the water's edge here late this afternoon,  
and with the steamer were destroyed the  
company's storehouse at Highland, a two-  
dwelling, a West Shore Railroad tower,  
a trolley car and several small build-  
ings. The fire started in the engine room  
of the Poughkeepsie while she was taking  
on freight at the Highland wharf. There  
were ten passengers aboard, five of them  
women. The total loss caused by the fire  
will reach \$150,000.

Within a few minutes after the fire  
started there was such a volume of smoke  
pouring out of the steamer's hold that  
the crew was unable to reach the fire-  
fighting apparatus. The steamer was  
out of control and drifted toward the middle  
of the river. She drifted up stream and  
was beached near the Hudson River State  
Hospital wharf, a mile north of Poughkeepsie.  
A panic followed the first alarm of  
fire and some of the passengers fought  
to save their property. Miss Ethel Smith  
of this city was the last to be taken ashore.  
She was hysterical and it required  
force to take her off. Companies of  
Poughkeepsie firemen were sent across  
the river to fight the fire, but a stiff south  
wind fanned the flames and hampered  
the work of the firemen.

Two of the crew leaped overboard  
and were picked up by the Annie as the  
burning steamer passed under the bridge.  
The fire swept over a block of build-  
ings. Many telegraph poles were burned  
and the breaking of the wires seriously  
interfered with the traffic over the West  
Shore Railroad.

The Poughkeepsie was built in Brook-  
lyn in 1882. She was formerly named the  
Daniel S. Miller but ten years ago was  
renamed and renamed. She was 182  
feet long and 34 feet beam.

## HOLD RICH MERCHANT ON SHIP.

Surgeon Says Michel Abraham of Hayti  
Has Contagious Eye Disease.

Michel Abraham, who is one of the  
richest white merchants in Hayti and  
also represents there a Manchester com-  
mercial house, arrived yesterday from  
St. Marc by the Royal Dutch West India  
steamship Prins Willem V., supposing  
that he would be permitted to go ashore  
as he has heretofore on his visits to this  
port, the preceding one being about two  
years ago. He had developed since then  
a disease of the eyes that an Ellis Island  
surgeon of the Marine Hospital service  
declared yesterday to be trachoma. The  
law forbids any alien with this disease,  
which is contagious, to enter the country.  
Mr. Abraham, when informed of this  
by the doctor and told that he would  
have to stay aboard the liner until this  
morning, when he will be taken to Ellis  
Island, was wrath. The doctor said  
he had no choice in the matter.

Mr. Abraham said that he had a letter  
of credit for \$10,000, which he was to in-  
vest in goods in this city for shipment  
to Hayti, and that he had no intention  
of staying any longer in New York than  
was necessary to make his purchases. He  
has a chance left of being able to land  
and that depends on the decision of three  
Marine Hospital surgeons who will exam-  
ine him carefully to-day. If the diagnosis  
of the boarding surgeon is correct Mr.  
Abraham must go back.

A young and pretty woman was on the  
pier waiting for Mr. Abraham. She is  
a resident of Brooklyn and said she was  
the merchant's cousin. Mr. Abraham's  
indignation and wrath increased when  
he saw her and realized that he could  
only view her from the saloon deck of  
the ship. The surgeon of the Prins  
Willem V. says he believes that Mr. Ab-  
raham has not trachoma but a different  
affection of the eyes.

After the merchant had calmed down  
he decided to make the best he could of  
the dilemma by empowering Capt. Arents  
of the Prins Willem V. to go shopping  
for him, giving him the letter of credit.  
The skipper and the merchant have been  
friends many years and Capt. Arents  
said he was glad to get the job but hoped  
that the decision of the three doctors  
to-day would be favorable to the mer-  
chant.

## WORKMEN FIRE ON POLICE.

Shot at Funeral of Paris Victim of Club-  
bing—Dragons Quell Mob.

PARIS, June 26.—The funeral of a work-  
man who died from the effects of a beat-  
ing received from the police two weeks  
ago resulted to-day in a desperate fight  
between workmen and police at the Pan-  
theon Cemetery.

The men attending the funeral were  
in a very bad humor, and a row between  
them and the police was soon precipitated.  
The police charged the crowd,  
but were met with a revolver fire.  
The prompt arrival of dragons was the  
only thing that saved the police from a  
severe defeat. Many persons were  
wounded, including fourteen policemen,  
whose condition is serious.

## MARRIED JUST AT DAYBREAK.

New York Boy and Texas Girl Hit by Auto  
and Perished.

GREENWICH, Conn., June 26.—Ayrille  
Meyers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolf  
Meyers of Navisota, Houston county,  
Texas, was married at 4 o'clock this  
morning by Police Justice Thomas of  
Portchester to Jacques Perlman, aged 21,  
son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Perlman of  
New York city.

The couple, accompanied by a young  
man and a young woman, arrived at  
Greenwich at quarter of 3 this morning  
and inquired at a garage for the nearest  
Justice of the Peace. They were directed  
to the home of Justice Norman Talcott,  
whom they routed out of bed asking to  
be married at once. When asked if they  
had a license they replied that they had  
not, and that the reason they had come  
from New York to Greenwich was that  
they had been told that they would not  
have to get a license in order to be married  
in Connecticut.  
Justice Talcott assured them to the  
contrary and communicated with Town  
Clerk Wellsford for the purpose of pro-  
curing one. It then developed that the  
bride was only 19 and as a woman is not  
of age in Connecticut until she is 21  
Justice Talcott could not perform the  
ceremony. He told them, however, that  
the legal age in New York State was  
18 and directed them to the home of  
Town Clerk Stevens in Portchester.  
The party whirled down to Portchester  
and getting the license went at once to  
the home of Police Justice Connolly, who  
married them.

## WOMAN WINS THE GRAND PRIX

MME. CHEREMETEFF'S COIT  
BEATS VANDERBILT HORSE.

Lemberg, Winner of the Derby, Not Even  
Placed—President Fallieres and the  
Queen of Bulgaria Interested Specu-  
lators—Black and White Worn.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, June 26.—The race for the Grand  
Prix de Paris, of 300,000 francs (\$60,000),  
which was run at the Bois de Boulogne  
to-day, was won by Mme. N. G. Cheremet-  
teff's bay colt Nauge. W. K. Vanderbilt's  
black colt Reinhart was second and  
J. A. de Rothschild's chestnut colt Bron-  
zino third.

Jockey Childs rode the winner. O'Neill  
rode for Mr. Vanderbilt, and Fox was on  
Bronzino. There were seventeen starters.  
The second horse receives 30,000 francs  
(\$6,000) and the third 15,000 francs out  
of the stakes.

This year's race for the Grand Prix will  
be memorable as being the first ever won  
by a woman. The numerous English  
who were present were very much dis-  
appointed to see the favorite English  
horse Lemberg, winner of the Derby, run  
without even being placed. Vanderbilt's  
Reinhart was a good second. He would  
likely have won had the race been a quar-  
ter of a mile longer.

Mme. Cheremeteff's Nauge galloped  
home an easy winner. Her triumph was  
greeted enthusiastically. The betting  
was heaviest on the Vanderbilt entry, to  
which was given 8 to 1. The total of the  
pari mutuel was \$10,000, or \$35,000 more  
than last year. Mme. Cheremeteff is the  
daughter of the wealthiest Russian tea  
merchant, M. Kousnetoff, and is the wife  
of a Russian railway official.

Although the weather was bad in the  
morning the attendance was large, English  
and Americans forming a good half.  
The King and Queen of Bulgaria were  
present. President Fallieres arrived in  
time to witness the great event of the  
day. The Queen of Bulgaria was much  
interested in the races, watching them  
through field glasses. She wore a beau-  
tiful black and gray costume, a magnif-  
icent ermine stole and a large white hat  
crowned with huge white ostrich feathers.

The display of toilets was not con-  
spicuously brilliant compared with those  
at Autuel on June 19. This was owing  
to the weather. Black and white, singly  
or mixed, were the predominant colors.  
With the exception of a few frocks of  
vivid tints in extreme style worn by  
mannequins, there was nothing in the  
way of novelty in fashion.

Mrs. W. B. Leeds wore black tulle over  
satin. Her hat was of black crin covered  
with aigrettes. Mrs. F. Cortland Bishop's  
costume was of pastel pink cloth em-  
broided in pink with incrustations of  
course lace of the same tone. Her hat  
was of black tulle, finished with white  
plumes and tulle. Mrs. Perry Belmont  
was in a black tulle suit of moire gar-  
nished with big buttons of smoke pearl.  
Her hat was black, trimmed with an  
immense taffeta bow.

Mrs. Joseph Widener wore purple foul-  
ard veiled with tulle of the same color  
and a purple tulle hat touched with white  
aigrettes and marabout. Mrs. Mitchell  
Harrison wore black liberty satin veiled  
with black tulle and a big black hat.  
Mrs. W. Post's gown was of white cloth  
touched with satin, and she wore a rice  
straw hat trimmed with big white wings.  
Miss Cabel wore a foulard of rosea green  
trimmed with black and white and a hat  
of eury straw with a big bow of white  
taffeta.

Mrs. George Law wore white cashmere  
de sole veiled with black mouseline and  
a hat of white tulle finished with cream  
lace and orchids. The Princess Omeroff,  
nee Vincent, was gowned in amethyst  
cloth with no trimming save big white  
pearl buttons. Her hat was of amethyst  
straw covered with black and white tur-  
quoise mouseline de sole and a large  
picture hat of white straw and roses.

Among the other Americans present  
were Mr. and Mrs. P. Roberts, Mr. and  
Mrs. D. Guggenheim, A. Vanderbilt, W. K.  
Vanderbilt, Frank J. Gould, J. D. Ryan,  
W. Penz, A. J. Schwalz, A. Stern, W. H.  
Hoyt, L. B. Chase, City Chamberlain,  
H. L. Lewisohn, Mr. and Mrs. T.  
Goodman, H. Kildeman, G. E. Beers, H.  
Rosenberg, Mrs. J. L. Flood, Mr. and  
Mrs. E. Corbett, J. C. Stuart and Mr. Founiey.

## MUTE'S STORY OF ROBBERY.

Conveys an Idea of Attempted Drowning  
Also and Boatman Is Arrested.

Policeman Benjamin Winters found a  
drowned man lying at the foot of Wash-  
ington street, Jersey City, at 2 o'clock  
yesterday morning. He stood the  
stranger on his feet and asked how he got  
so wet in such dry weather. The man  
touched his lips and ears to indicate that  
he was a deaf mute and then upturned  
himself under the chin, jabbed his hand  
in his trousers pocket, held up two fingers,  
caught himself by the neck, went through  
a pantomime diving act and wound up by  
doing a few swimming motions.

Winters figured it out that the mute  
had told him a thrilling story of being  
punched, robbed of \$2 and thrown over-  
board by a holdup man and started to  
look around for the footpad or waterpad.  
The mute pointed an accusing finger at  
a boatman who was sculling a Mills Ferry  
Company flat bottom scow across the gar-  
den between Washington street and the rail-  
road yards at Communipaw and looked  
sidled when Winters put the ferryman  
through a severe cross-examination as  
soon as he tied up his boat.

Andrew d'Valrie, the ferryman, pro-  
tested that he was innocent. He said  
that on one of his trips across the gap he  
saw the soaked stranger lying apparently  
asleep on the stringpiece and suspected  
that he had rolled overboard. D'Valrie  
was placed under arrest and the mute  
was held as a witness. He gave a written  
description of himself as Joseph Kalikufus,  
40 years old, of 47 Essex street.

Policeman John Rogers later recognized  
Kalikufus as a mute who had previously  
complained by means of his fingers that  
he had been thumped on the head and  
pitched into the water. Rogers's state-  
ment has led his superior officers to be-  
lieve that the mute may be a good actor.

Full Summer Schedule Hudson River DAY  
LINE in effect to-day. See ads—449.

## PARACHUTES DIDN'T WORK.

George Taylor Falls in Nutley, N. J., and  
Has Back Broken—May Die.

George Taylor and Thomas Moore,  
who had been engaged to make balloon  
ascensions at Hillside Pleasure Park,  
Belleville, N. J., made a double parachute  
drop from a hot air bag at that place  
yesterday. They ascended together,  
each provided with two parachutes. At  
the height of 2,000 feet Michael Conroy,  
their helper, fired a shot signalling Taylor  
to cut loose. The balloon was then over  
Nutley.

The first parachute opened, but some-  
thing went wrong when at 1,500 feet Tay-  
lor cut the second. The contrivance  
only opened partly, but this served to  
break the balloonist's fall considerably.  
He came down in a vacant lot in Centre  
street, Nutley, landing on his back among  
some stones. Henry Winfield, who lived  
near, called for help to J. S. Bartlett, a  
New York broker living in Nutley, who  
passed in an automobile. Taylor regained  
consciousness in St. Mary's Hospital,  
Passaic. His back was broken and the  
physicians said last night that he couldn't  
live.

Moore didn't cut himself from the bal-  
loon until it was about three thousand  
feet. Both of his parachutes worked  
properly, but he landed on the roof of  
Otto Blum's house in Whitford avenue,  
Nutley. Mr. Blum and his family were  
away. Neighbors got in and let Moore  
down through the attic.

Taylor is from Philadelphia and Moore  
from Jacksonville, Fla. They have been  
associated with Fred Owens, who sailed  
from Belleville to the City Hall Park,  
Manhattan, in a dirigible a few weeks ago.

## NO WARSHIP-AIRSHIP FIGHT.

Secretary Meyer Refuses to Send a Vessel  
to Atlantic City Aero Games.

ATLANTIC CITY, June 26.—Asserting  
that the proposed sham battle between  
aeroplanes and a battleship off Atlantic  
City in the coming show meet of the  
Atlantic City Aero Club would simply  
furnish enemies of foreign govern-  
ments data on the advancement of meth-  
ods of aerial warfare, the United  
States, George Meyer, Secretary of  
the Navy, has refused to assign a  
warship for the test. Balked in their  
attempt to secure the warship, the heads  
of the Atlantic City club have decided  
to send a delegation to Washington to  
attempt to change the attitude of the  
Department. Failing in that they will  
impress a yacht into service to take the  
place of a gunboat for the sham battle.

The power yacht Caliph, owned by  
Vice-Commodore Brigham of Philadel-  
phia and winner of the recent deep sea  
race from Havana to this city, has been  
offered for the test between aeroplanes  
and an attacked vessel and will be used  
if plans can be made to arm the vessel  
with quick firing guns.

Declination of the request for a Fed-  
eral warship for the proposed sham  
battle with air craft was conveyed by  
Secretary Meyer in a letter to John J.  
White, president of the Atlantic City Aero  
Club. The letter said:

"The Department is of the opinion that  
such important experiments as the pro-  
posed battle between a war vessel and  
aeroplanes should be done by the War  
and Navy departments in conjunction  
and privately, in order that any result  
of value which may be obtained shall be  
held as confidential for the use of the  
military branches of the Government  
and not made known for the edification  
of the general public and the advance-  
ment of the art of aviation along similar  
lines for foreign military services."

## OIL FIRE ALONG ERIE TRACKS.

Leak of Standard Oil's Pipe Line Makes  
Big Blaze at Plauterville, N. J.

PLAUTERVILLE, June 26.—Plauterville, the  
upper part of Garfield, had a big Standard  
Oil Company fire to-day. Thousands of  
gallons of oil poured from a broken feed  
pipe were burned. The oil poured out  
for a long time before word could be sent  
to the valve house at Newfoundland and  
the flow of oil checked. Newfoundland  
is the next station up the line on the line  
which passes through Garfield and goes  
on to Bayonne and to Newtown Creek.

The oil began to show itself this morn-  
ing and in a short time was coming to  
the surface in a steady stream. It col-  
lected in pools in hollow places and spread  
into a brook used by the Erie Railroad  
as a water supply for one of its water  
tanks. A lot of the oil formed a lake in  
a depression alongside the Erie's Bergen  
county short cut. This was set on fire  
by a spark from a locomotive and the  
blaze soon spread over the whole oil  
covered area. The crude oil made a  
dense black smoke that carried for miles.

The Garfield firemen were called out  
and did what they could to keep the fire  
from spreading. The intense heat killed  
every growing thing near the fire. Trees  
shrivelled up and grass and bushes disap-  
peared. Digging a dam to restrain the  
spread of the oil until it would be burned  
was all the firemen could do.

When the supply was shut off the fire  
burned itself out. The delay in  
turning off the supply was said to be due  
to the fire. One of the first things the  
fire reached was the line of poles sup-  
porting the Standard Oil's private line  
of telephones along the pipe line and  
when they fell communication was broken.

## PIERCE SELL OUT TO PEARSON?

Mexico Hears Sir Weetman Has Received  
Overtures in New York.

MEXICO CITY, June 26.—The report is  
current in business circles here that  
negotiations for the sale of the Waters-  
Pierce Oil Company's holdings in Mexico  
to Sir Weetman Pearson of London,  
England, and associates, have been re-  
opened in New York and are in a fair way  
to be consummated. Mr. Pearson had  
expected to come immediately to Mexico  
upon his arrival in New York several days  
ago, but the overtures that were made  
to him to acquire the Waters-Pierce Oil  
Company's interests in this country have  
detained him there. It is stated.

Representatives of S. Pearson & Son,  
Ltd., and the Mexican Eagle Petroleum  
Company, its affiliated concern, assert  
that the Waters-Pierce Oil Company is  
waging a losing fight for a profitable share  
of the oil retail trade of Mexico and is  
ready to quit.

An opposite claim to this is made by  
the Waters-Pierce Oil Company's repre-  
sentatives, who say that the Pearson in-  
terests are the chief losers in the war  
of competition that has been going on for  
nearly two years.

## ROOSEVELT AND TAFT TO MEET

COLONEL TO GO TO BEVERLY  
WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY.

From Harvard He Will Motor to Pres-  
ident's Summer Home—He Hasn't Yet  
Made up His Mind Whether He Ap-  
proves the Taft Administration or Not.

OSTERVILLE, N. Y., June 26.—When Col.  
Roosevelt forsakes the calm and quiet of  
Sagamore Hill on Tuesday for the gayety  
of the Harvard commencement at Cam-  
bridge he will mark the beginning of  
what is likely to be an important meeting.  
It is known here to-night that the Colonel  
has arranged a conference with President  
Taft at Beverly.

Mr. Roosevelt will hold his confab with  
the President on Wednesday night or  
possibly on Thursday. He will go from  
Cambridge to Swampscott, Mass., whence  
he will be driven over to Beverly in the  
big touring car that he has taken such a  
fancy to all of a sudden. It has been  
suggested by men who are close to the  
Colonel that Senator Lodge and Congress-  
man Longworth would not surprise any-  
body if they dropped in with the ex-  
President. And, perchance, Gov. Hughes.

Those who have discussed politics with  
Col. Roosevelt know that he has not yet  
made up his mind regarding the Taft  
Administration. He hasn't indorsed or  
given any hint that he favors what the  
President has been doing and he will not  
make a public announcement, if he does  
at all, until he has the opportunity of  
feeling his way. The Colonel is busy at  
present attempting to get a line on how  
things stand both locally and nationally  
in politics. The wires to Sagamore Hill  
are getting hotter and the mail is increas-  
ing tremendously every day.

It is said here to-night that Mr. Roose-  
velt is going to try to get President Taft  
to exert his influence upon Gov. Hughes  
to give up the Federal Supreme Court  
bench to try for a third term in the num-  
ber of the Supreme Court. The Colonel is  
naturally chafed at Albany. Gov. Hughes  
is dead in earnest about the matter. The  
Republican party in New York State  
and the visit of Gov. Hughes to Sagamore  
Hill some time soon will be a  
mighty interesting one. The news-  
paper men here have been on edge all  
week in expectation of the Governor's  
arrival. Several letters have passed be-  
tween the Colonel and the Governor con-  
cerning it.

Until Col. Roosevelt leaves Sagamore  
Hill for New York to take the train to  
Boston on Tuesday he will remain as  
quiet as he is able. To-day for the first  
time since he returned from the African  
Jungle, and indeed since he left the White  
House, he spent an unobtrusive day  
with his family. There were no visitors.

In the morning the Colonel attended  
services in the Episcopal church with  
his boys, Archie and Quentin. Mrs.  
Roosevelt did not accompany them.  
Of course the inhabitants of Oyster Bay,  
who would rather gaze on the ex-Pres-  
ident than do most anything else, were  
out in full force. As he stepped out of  
the church after services the Colonel  
was held up for a handshaking recep-  
tion. He responded with pleasure.

During the afternoon he walked, wrote,  
read and chatted with his family. He  
put in a couple of hours arranging the  
countless African trophies he brought  
back with him. The house on Sagamore  
Hill is so littered up with all sorts of  
stuff that it will be weeks before things  
are arranged to the satisfaction of the  
Colonel. He will spend a good part of  
to-morrow around the bill. No guests  
are scheduled to come up.

## TAFT'S HOLIDAYS NEAR.

Will Go to His Summer Home in Beverly,  
Mass., Tuesday Evening.

WASHINGTON, June 26.—President Taft  
threw off the cares of state to-day and  
enjoyed the peace and quiet of one of  
the finest June days of the year. He spent  
a large part of the morning on the back  
porch of the White House looking over  
the white lot past the monument to the  
Potomac. At 11 o'clock the President  
went to All Souls' Unitarian Church. He  
lunched at the White House with Sec-  
retary Norton and a few close friends and  
in the afternoon took a long automobile  
ride in the country. To-night the Presi-  
dent was the guest of Mrs. Richard H.  
Townsend at a dinner at the Country  
Club.

Beginning early to-morrow, Mr. Taft  
will have farewell talks with Congress-  
men who wish to discuss politics and  
other subjects with him. Tuesday prob-  
ably will be given over to the same pro-  
gram. On Tuesday evening the Presi-  
dent will leave Washington for his summer  
home at Beverly. He will not be back  
in Washington, according to present ar-  
rangements, until late in the fall.

## TOSSED OUT OF SUBWAY DITCH.

An Electrician Takes a 30 Foot Scolding  
Trip and Leaves His Pipe

Thomas Murphy, an electrician, was  
applying a cable yesterday in the subway  
excavation thirty feet below the street  
level at Fourth avenue and Tenth street,  
Brooklyn, when the explosion of an  
acetylene gas tank near by threw him out  
of the place and into the street. After  
him came pieces of gas pipe that said  
good-by to him at the street level and  
went on skyward.

Policeman Fitzgerald of the Fifth avenue  
station sent in a call to the Seney Hos-  
pital for ambulances and ran over to  
Murphy.

"Geel that was a big bang," said Murphy.  
"and I do believe that I've lost my pipe."  
Dr. Smith, who arrived in an ambulance  
shortly afterward, found that Murphy  
wasn't hurt. He was shaken up enough  
to be sent to his home at 106 Webster  
avenue, Brooklyn. Some of the fragments  
of iron pipe broke windows in the third  
story of the house at 48 Fourth avenue.  
They fell in the apartment of William  
White. Mr. and Mrs. White were near  
the windows when the iron came smash-  
ing through.

The entire neighborhood was panicky  
for a while and the reserve came from  
the Fifth avenue station to keep order.  
Beyond making a mess of some pipes  
and electrical work the explosion did no  
harm.

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